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Gambling Dens in Nantao

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# SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

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## REPORT

Date September 3, 1941.

Subject (in full) Reported explosion in the Green Spot Gambling Den, Nantao.

Made by D. I. Pan Lien Pih Forwarded by D. S. I. Wilcox

With reference to the attached newspaper translation which appeared in the August 30th issue of the Cheng Yien Pao, regarding a bomb explosion in the Green Spot Gambling Den, Lu Shiang Yuen Road (露香園路), Nantao, resulting in a number of persons being wounded, I have to state that the report is quite groundless nor was there any person wounded.

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A.C. (Special Branch)

August 30, 1941. Morning Translation.

Cheng Yien Pao, Sin Wan Pao, Chinese/American Daily News, Shun Pao, National Herald :-

CHINESE ARRESTED IN FRENCH CONCESSION

At midnight August 28/29, the Japanese, in conjunction with a party of the French Police, conducted a search of houses in Wan Nyien Fang (萬年坊), Avenue Dubail, and Wu Ha Fang (吳合坊), Avenue Joffre, but without result. Subsequently, the same party visited the Dah Kwo Hotel (大宇飯店) on Avenue Edward VII and in Room 407 arrested Hsu Li-sun (徐利生), age 25, son of Hsu Hung-fah (徐鴻發), native of Pootung, and two of his friends. The arrested men have been taken by the Japanese to the Gendarmerie Headquarters in Hongkew.

It is learned that the object of the raid was to effect the arrest of Hsu Hung-fah, but he was out when the Japanese and the French Police called.

Hsu Hung-fah used to be a mason. Prior to the hostilities, he was once sentenced for a certain offence and was released on the outbreak of hostilities. Then he gathered together a number of desperadoes in Pootung and called himself a commander. They committed robberies and other crimes. Later, he surrendered to the Japanese and has since been nicknamed the "Pootung Franco". Subsequently it was discovered that his subordinates were responsible for the murder of several Japanese soldiers. He absconded and the Japanese issued an order for his arrest.

Sin Shun Pao (Japanese-owned Chinese language newspaper) published the following editorial on August 29 :-

THE THREE POWER CONFERENCE : EVENTS IN THE FAR EAST AND NEAR EAST

The three Power conference, which has been jointly proposed to be held in Moscow by Roosevelt and Churchill, has been postponed and nothing more has been heard about it. It is not known whether the meeting will ever be held.

After the British troops advanced into Iran, Soviet Russia, under the same pretext, invaded the north of Iran. Simultaneously, the critical situation created by the encircling movement of America and England in the Pacific was loosened. The advance into Iran by England and Russia is due to a mutual agreement of aggression. England and Russia cannot now be regarded as standing on the same front against Germany.

From the result of the meeting of England and America at Sea, one can see that England has no intention to launch an attack against Germany for the time being. The invasion of Iran by England is intended to provide favourable conditions for future use.

P.T.O.

August 30, 1941. Morning Translation.

Furthermore, it is doubtful whether America is in complete agreement with England over the new developments in the Near East. According to a Japanese spokesman in Tokyo, Cordell Hull has denunced the advance into Iran by England.

As for the Far East, the real intentions of America to negotiate with Japan have been thwarted by the absurd speech delivered by Winston Churchill. In fact, we should not pay too much attention to America's proud attitude or her attitude of respect toward Japan. America cannot change her hostile attitude towards Japan's mutual prosperity order.

Cheng Yien Pao :-

HAND GRENADES HURLED INTO GREEN SPOT GAMBLING DEN AT NANTAO

At 5 p.m. yesterday, a large party of Japanese gendarmes surrounded Lu Shiang Yuen Road (霞香園路) and vicinity in Nantao and proclaimed martial law in the area. A house-to-house search was conducted.

It was later learned that at 5 p.m. yesterday, two hand grenades were hurled into the gambling rooms of the Green Spot Gambling Den on Lu Shiang Yuen Road and exploded. After the incident, a large party of Japanese gendarmes were rushed to the scene and proclaimed martial law. It was rumoured at one time that a Japanese had been shot in Nantao.

It is said that many people were injured by the explosion in the gambling den.

Chinese-American Daily News, Shun Pao, National Herald :-

Martial Law in Nantao

At 6.30 p.m. yesterday, Japanese soldiers proclaimed martial law in Nantao and all the iron gates along the border of the French Concession and Nantao were closed and traffic was interrupted.

It is reported that the proclamation of the martial law was connected with the rural purification work.

Cheng Yien Pao, Chinese-American Daily News, Shun Pao, National Herald :-

REPORTED BROADCAST BY JUDGE OF SHANGHAI FIRST SPECIAL DISTRICT COURT UNTRUE.

According to a newspaper report, a certain Judge of the Shanghai First Special District Court recently delivered an address over a broadcasting station on the problem of disputes over the leasing of houses.

Our reporter made enquiries at the First Special District Court and was informed that the above report is untrue.

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August 26, 1941.

Gambling Dens in Nantao

The six gambling dens in Nantao resumed operations on August 14 after having agreed to pay $1,000 each per day to the Shanghai Special Municipal Government in addition to $2,000 each per day to the Shanghai District Relief Association, gambling den controlling organ in Nantao.

Immediately after resumption, the Shanghai Garrison Headquarters (Japanese) demanded that the dens pay $2,000 each per day and stated that the iron gate at Rue Hue, which provides a shorter route from the Concession to the gambling dens, would remain closed as long as the demand was not complied with. The demand was accepted and the iron gate at Rue Hue was re-opened on August 19. The dens commenced paying on August 24.

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Each of the six gambling dens in Nantao is therefore paying a total of $5,000 per day to the authorities concerned. The burden being heavy, the conductors of the dens are curtailing food supplies and transportation facilities for gamblers and charging higher "commissions" on winnings

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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

August 12, 1941.

To

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned records.

Reference No:- D.8039A/41C - 18.

Subject :- Gambling Dens in Nantao - to re-open on August 14, 1941.

Enclosures

Copy of Police Report for information.

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August 11, 1941.

Gambling Dens in Nantao - to re-open on August 14, 1941.

The six gambling dens in Nantao, which suspended operations on August 1, 1941 in consequence of an order of the Shanghai Special Municipal Government requiring each of the dens to pay $1,000 per day to the government, are expected to re-open on August 14.

Through the efforts of Ken Chia Chi (耿嘉基), Head of the Shanghai District Relief Association, gambling den controlling organ in Nantao, and Lee Siao Pao (李筱寶), follower of Colonel Lu Ying, Commissioner of the Shanghai Special Municipal Government Police Bureau, and conductor of the See Yuen Gambling den in Nantao, an agreement has been reached between the gambling den conductors and the Shanghai Special Municipal Government to the effect that each gambling den will pay $500 per day to the government for the first ten days after resumption of business and will pay $1,000 per day thereafter when business is expected to improve. The dens will continue to pay $3,000 each per day to the Shanghai District Relief Association.

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Comm. of Police
Special Branch
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August 5, 1941.

Gambling Dens in Nantao

All the 6 gambling dens in Nantao suspended operations on August 1, 1941, in consequence of an order of the Shanghai Special Municipal Government requiring each of the dens to pay $1,000 per day to the Shanghai Special Municipal Government, the latter being in need of funds to finance the organization of the Shanghai Special Municipal Peace Preservation Corps. A list of the dens is given hereunder :-

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Prior to suspension, the dens paid a protection fee of $2,000.00 each per day to their controlling organ, the "Shanghai District Relief Association" (上海救濟協會), No. 1178, Woo Ping Road, off Old West Gate, Nantao (the Shanghai Special Municipal Government received no share) but they experienced difficulties in making this additional payment owing to poor business and had to suspend operations for the time being.

Upon learning of the attitude of the den managements, the Shanghai Special Municipal Government took further action by closing four of the large dens namely :- Si Yuan, Tung Ching, Loo Pao and Hwa Ming.

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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

August 6, 1941.

To

**The Secretary & Commissioner General.**

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

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Subject :- **Gambling Dens in Nantao.**

Enclosures

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Commissioner of Police, Special Branch
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April 10, 1941.

Dah Sun Gambling Den, Nantao, bomb explosion.

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The bombing of the Dah Sun Gambling Den, Nantao, as reported by the Sin Shun Pao on April 8, 1941 has been confirmed. Particulars of the case are as follows :-

At about 5 p.m., April 7, a bomb suddenly exploded underneath a table in the Dah Sun Gambling Den, 40/41 Heng Oen Fong (恒安坊), Fang Pang Road, Nantao. The force of the explosion was small and only three gamblers were slightly injured. Immediately after the incident, Japanese gendarmes and Chinese Police searched all other gambling dens in the vicinity but without result. It was suspected that the bombing was instigated by rival gambling dens.

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April 8, 1941. Morning Translation

Chinese-American Daily News, Shun Pao and Sin Wan Pao :-

THE CHINESE COUNCILLORS OF THE S.M.C.

According to a statement made yesterday by Mr. L.T. Yuan, the Chinese Ratepayers Association has not yet decided on the steps to be taken in connection with the approaching Municipal elections. It is not likely that a meeting by the Association will be called to hold an election to fill the vacancies caused by departing Councillors.

According to a tentative agreement reached by the Consuls-General for Britain, America and Japan, the number of Chinese seats on the S.M.C. has been reduced by one (that is, from 5 to 4). As there are two Chinese Councillors at present remaining in Shanghai, there are two vacancies. Various quarters are closely watching the question of filling these vacancies, because owing to the present difficult conditions, the position of a Chinese Councillor is entirely different from that of foreign Councillors. On this account, developments in the matter are being awaited with great interest.

Chinese-American Daily News (comment) :-

Sanction by Chinese Government necessary

According to information received yesterday, the British, American and Japanese nominees have been selected. The number of these candidates will be in accordance with the changes made by the Consuls-General for Britain, America and Japan. The nomination of the German candiiate was also announced yesterday. There is a report that no elections are to be held if the list of candidates is approved by the Special Ratepayers Meeting and that these candidates are automatically elected. We are of the opinion that everybody will voice an objection to such a procedure.

We have repeatedly stated that any changes in the Land Regulations will not be legal unless they are approved by the Chinese Government. In a statement made a few days ago, the S.M.C. admitted that the Chinese Government would be consulted, but according to present reports, the measure will become legal when it is passed by the Special Ratepayers Meeting. The affair is really very mysterious.

We strongly believe that these reports are not true. We are also convinced that unless the changes are approved by the Chinese Government, they are illegal and will not be accepted by the Chinese people or by any right-thinking members of other communities.

Sin Shun Pao (Japanese-owned Chinese language newspaper) :-

NANTAO GAMBLING DEN BOMBED

At about 5 p.m. yesterday, a bomb was hurled into the premises of the Dah Sun Club (大新俱樂部) at No. 12, Heng An Pang (恒安弄), Pang Pang Road (方浜路), Nantao. The bomb exploded and injured five persons.

The bomb throwers disappeared during the commotion. The injured men were removed to hospital for treatment. The authorities are investigating the affair.

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April 8, 1941. Morning Translation

Shun Pao :-

EMPLOYEES OF BANK OF CHINA AND BANK OF COMMUNICATIONS TO BE RELEASED TO-DAY

According to information secured by this paper this morning, the 100 employees of the Bank of China and Bank of Communications, who were detained last month, will be released to-day as a result of negotiations conducted by members of Chinese and foreign banking circles.

Sin Shun Pao (Japanese-owned Chinese language newspaper) :-

MYSTERIOUS MOTOR CAR FOUND OUTSIDE OFFICE OF SHUN PAO

At about 6 a.m. April 7, a mysterious motor car was parked for some time on Hankow Road opposite the office of the Shun Pao. On account of the kidnapping of Wong Yao-ching ( 王 [illegible] ), Deputy Chief of the Managing Department of the Shun Pao, the presence of this motor car gave rise to some apprehension among the staff of the paper and as a precautionary measure the Police were informed. A party of detectives arrived and removed the car to the Station for investigation.

The Police refused to disclose the number of the licence plate of the motor car.

New China Daily News, Central China Daily News, Kuo Min Daily News and Bing Pao :-

STRIKE OF WORKERS OF FOUR HOUSEHOLD REMOVING COMPANIES

The chauffeurs and transporting coolies of four household removing companies have now been on strike for several days. The situation has become worse for the managements failed to attend the meetings set for April 1 and April 5.

It is learned that the workers have requested the managements for an increase of 100% in wages, but the managements are willing to grant an increase of $10 only.

Sin Wan Pao :-

STRIKE OF SPECTACLE MAKERS

Last year the makers of spectacles asked for an increase of wages and the management promised an increase of 60%.

Owing to the high cost of living, the makers have now demanded a 120% increase in wages and $15 as rice allowance. When the demands were rejected by the management, the men went on strike.

It is learned that the Police are mediating in the dispute.

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CHINESE MUNICIPAL POLICE
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No. S. B. D. 8039A/41(C)-4
Date

Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

March 18, 1941

To

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- D.8039A/41(C)-18.

Subject :- Gambling Dens in Nantao - situation.

Enclosures

Copy of Police Report.

For information. No action required.

March 17, 1941.

Gambling Dens in Nantao - situation.

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Advertisements announcing the opening of these gambling dens appeared in the Advertisement Column of the Central China Daily News dated March 15, 16 & 17, 1941.

It will be recalled that all of the 22 gambling dens operating in Nantao closed on February 18, 1941.

On March 16, some 100 "Hwo-Wei" Lottery Dens and approximately 200 "Hwo-Wei" Lottery Agents in Nantao ceased operations owing, it is reported, to a difference between conductors in Nantao and the Western District, which resulted in the sudden disruption of "Hwo-Wei" Lottery operations.

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COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE

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Cheng Yien Pao, Sin Wan Pao, Shun Pao :-

GAMBLING DENS IN NANTAO REOPEN

While in Nantao yesterday, a reporter of the Dah Kwang News Agency (大光社) learned that the question of the re-opening of the gambling dens has been settled. Any gambling den which pays to the Japanese a sum of $100,000 as security will be issued a permit and will be allowed to operate.

Up to last night, the Green Spot (绿宝) and four other gambling dens (another report gives the number as eight) have paid this security money and obtained permits. They have posted announcements on their doors that they will resume business on March 17.

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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

March 16, 41

To

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- D.8039A/41(C)-18.

Subject :- Nantao situation - closure of all gambling dens.

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For information. No action required.

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March 15, 1941.

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The 22 gambling dens in Nantao which suspended operations on February 18, 1941 are still closed. It is learned that the promoters of these dens are now endeavouring to obtain permission from the authorities concerned to amalgamate and open six gambling dens under the guise of "Tea Rooms".

The numerous "Hwo Wei" lottery establishments in Nantao continued operations openly until March 10, 1941, when they commenced to operate secretly with the connivance of members of the Nantao Police.

March 12, 1941.

TAIRKU SHIMPO :-

CLOSURE OF ALL GAMBLING DENS IN NANTAO.

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POPULATION IN AREAS UNDER THE CONTROL OF CITY GOVERNMENT

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
16 MAR 1941
COMMISSIONER

C O P Y

March 6, 1941.

Nantao Situation

The gambling dens in Nantao, which suspended operations on February 18, 1941, still remain closed.

About 200 Hwo Fei Lottery dens, 22 opium hongs and 26 opium smoking dens are continuing operations openly. In addition, there are more than 100 small opium smoking dens operating in a secret manner allegedly with the connivance of certain members of the Nantao Police and/or the Japanese Gendarmerie.

A list of the opium hongs and opium smoking dens operating openly, is given hereunder :-

Opium Hongs.

| Name | | Address |
|---|---|---|
| 1. San tuh | (三德) | No.7 Tung Chi Loong (新基弄) Kiu Mow Dien, West Gate. |
| 2. Van Foong | (萬丰) | No.123 E Hai Loong (昇海弄) Kiu Mow Dien. |
| 3. Yuen Woo | (源和) | No.118 E Hai Loong (昇海弄) Kiu Mow Dien. |
| 4. Dong Yih | (同亨) | No.83, E Hai Loong (昇海弄) Kiu Mow Dien. |
| 5. Lao Sing Chong | (老信昌) | No.82 E Hai Loong (昇海弄) Kiu Mow Dien. |
| 6. Yah Kee | (協記) | No.2 Yuen Woo Li (元和里) E Hai Loong. |
| 7. Woo Chong | (和昌) | No.3 Yuen Woo Li (元和里) E Hai Loong. |
| 8. Woo Zung | (和成) | No.7 Yuen Woo Li (元和里) E Hai Loong. |
| 9. Ching Sing | (廣新) | No.2 Nyi En Li (義安里) Loo Hsiang Yuen Road. |
| 10. Jiang Foong | (祥丰) | No.146 E Hai Loong (昇海弄). |
| 11. Foh Chong South Branch | (福昌號) | No.98 E Hai Loong (昇海弄). |

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| 12. | Lao Hsueh Zung | (老謹盛) | No.1 Nyi En Li (義安里), Loo Shiang Yuen Road. |
| 13. | Kung Zung Tsaung | (公盛昌) | No.145 E Hai Loong. |
| 14. | Yah Zung Tsaung | (協盛昌) | No.143 E Hai Loong. |
| 15 | Yung Zung | (永盛) | No.139 E Hai Loong. |
| 16. | Lao Yuen Mow | (老元茂) | No.1 Zung Oen Li, Loo Shiang Yuen Road. |
| 17 | Yuen Woo | (源和) | No.2 En Ding Li, E Hai Loong. |
| 18. | Dah Chong | (大昌) | No.147 E Hai Loong. |
| 19. | Hung Chong Sung Tsaugn | (宏昌祥) | No.7 Zung En Li, Loo Shiang Yuen Road. |
| 20. | Zung Yah Kee | (新合記) | No.14 Zung En Li, Loo Shiang Yuen Road. |
| 21. | Shing Chong | (興昌) | No.3 Zung En Li, Loo Shiang Yuen Road. |
| 22. | Lao Yuen Chong | (老祐昌) | No.87 Tsing Lien Ka, Kiu Mow Dien. |

## Opium Smoking Dens

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| 1. | Foh Kong | (福康) | No.3 Foh Kong Li, Tung Chi Loong (東差弄) City. |
| 2. | Fee Loong Doo | (非龍道) | No.117 E Hai Loong (黃海弄). |
| 3. | Foh Woo Kung | (福和宮) | No.99 E Hai Loong. |
| 4/ | Zien Kung | (錢宮) | No.93 E Hai Loong. |
| 5. | Yung Foong | (榮丰) | No.92 E Hai Loong. |
| 6. | Dah Hoong Yung | (大鴻運) | No.87 E Hai Loong. |
| 7. | No.147 | | No.28 Loo Shiang Yuen Road. |
| 8. | Zung Oen | (仁安) | No.11 Zung Oen Li, Loo Shiang Yuen Road. |
| 9. | Foh Oen Kung | (福宮) | No.16 Nyi En Li, Loo Shiang Yuen Road. |
| 10. | Sing Sing Koh | (新新閣) | No.14 Nyi En Li (義安里) Loo Shiang Yuen Road. |
| 11. | Bah Kung | (白宮) | No.14 Nyi En Li, Loo Shiang Yuen Roa d. |
| 12. | Hou Yung Dao | (好運道) | No.13 Chi En Li, Loo Shiang Yuen Roax. |
| 13. | Chih Bing | (吉年) | No.3 Chi Bing Li, Chung Hwa Rd. |
| 14. | Kuo Hwa | (國華) | No.8 Chi Bing Li, Chung Hwa Rd. |

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| 15. | Nan Yang | (南洋) | No.35 Heng En Li, Fang Pang Rd. |
| 16. | Loh Yuen Chung Kee | 鲁国均记 | No.35 Heng En Li, Fang Pang Rd. |
| 17. | Ling Yuen Koh | (凌荣阁) | No.1 Heng En Li, Fang Pang Rd. |
| 18. | Zang Zeu Kung | (张寿宫) | No.2 Hung Shing Li, (鸿兴里), Kwang Ying Ka (广英街). |
| 19. | Loh Yuen | (乐园) | No.1 Loo Shiang Yuen Road. |
| 20. | Kuo Tai | (国泰) | No.142 E Hai Loong. |
| 21. | Van Zeu Kung | (万寿宫) | No.2 Tung Chi Loong. |
| 22. | Ping Seu Loo | (品秀屋) | No.5 Ding En Li, Tung Chi Loong. |
| 23. | Sing Sing | (心心) | No.2 Foh Kong Li, Tung Chi Loonng. |
| 24. | Ping Seu | (品秀) | No.7 Kwang Ying Ka. |
| 25. | Dah Chung | (大华) | No.125 E Hai Loong. |
| 26. | Tung Yah | (东亚) | No.9 Zung En Li, Loo Shiang Yuen KRoad. |

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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

February 19, 1941.

To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- D.8039A/41(C)-18.

Subject :- Gambling Dens in Nantao.

Enclosures

Copy of Police Report.

For information. No action required.

FILE

February 18, 1941.

Gambling dens in Nantao - suspend operations.

All gambling dens in Nantao suspended operations in the morning of February 13, 1941, and remain closed.

It is learned that the authorities in Nantao recently decided to have the gambling dens in Nantao, numbering about 20, amalgamated into five or six places in order to show that municipal administration in Nantao is improving. The managements of the dens, however, refused to comply with the wishes of the authorities who then ordered the Nantao Police Stations to enforce suspension of operations. The managements of the dens are now negotiating with the Nantao authorities in connection with the proposed amalgamation.

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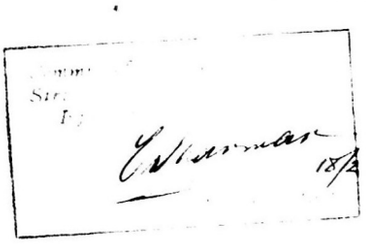

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February 5, 1941.

Attempted Assassination in the Lee Yuen Building Den.

With reference to the attached translation of an article entitled "Attempted Assassination in the Lee Yuen Building Den" from the Sing Wen Yan, enquiries show that Kwun Lo Kau (管毛狗) alias Siew Lo Kau (小毛狗) was a member of the Asia Building Den (亞洲娛樂場), Kin Lau Dee, Kowloon. He is a notorious loiterer in Yaumati and at 8.30 p.m. on January 2nd, he was shot at twice and killed outside the Lee Yuen Building Den at Tsing Fa Tong (金家宅), Cong Fa Lane (崗家弄), Kowloon. On January 28th, according to information obtained, Kwun Lo Kau sold one Sien Fok Yuen (鮮福元), a morphine dealer, of several parcels of morphine valued at more than 2,000 dollars and later through mediation by influential persons, he promised to pay by the end of last month, 2,000 dollars to Sien Fok Yuen as compensation, but failed to carry out his promise and this is believed to be the cause of his death.

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Chinese-American Daily News and Cheng Yien Pao :-

TROUBLE AT THE LI YUAN GAMBLING DEN

At 5.20 p.m. February 2, a man named Ah Mau (阿茂) of about 30 years of age, wearing a blue jacket and trousers, was shot at and wounded in the head at the entrance of the Li Yuan (利園) Gambling Den in King Ka Fong, Oong Ka Loong, Nantao. He was removed to hospital where he succumbed soon afterwards.

P. T. O.

February 5, 1941. Morning Translation.

It was learned that the desperado had been waiting outside the gambling den for several days seeking an opportunity to assassinate an employee of the gambling den named Mo Bi Yung Sun (麻皮荣生), but he killed Ah Mau by mistake.

After the occurrence of this shooting case, people entering or leaving Nantao were required to produce passes.

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Cheng Yien Pao :- 3/2/41

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION IN THE LEE YUAN GAMBLING DEN

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The Lee Yuan Gambling Den (利源賭窟) at Ching Ka Za (金家宅), Oong Ka Loong (黃家弄), Nahtao, is operated by Soo Chow Ah Doo (蘇州阿大), Ah Huang Ching (阿黃金), Ai Ts Siao Pao (矮子小寶), Wei Pao-zien (魏寶仁) and two others. On China New Year Day, a hand grenade was thrown into the den, injuring about 10 male and female gamblers.

At about 5 p.m. yesterday, Ah Mao (阿毛), a member of the den, was shot at twice outside the den and was wounded. A large number of Japanese gendarmes and mercenary policemen were detailed to the place, but the desperadoes had already decamped. A search was made by the Japanese gendarmes inside the den.

The wounded man was removed to a hospital by the Japanese. It is learned that his wounds are very serious and that his life is in danger. The cause of the shooting is unknown.

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February 1, 1941

Lee Yuan ( 利 園 ) Gambling Den bombed

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Reference to the attached translation of an extract from the "National herald" and two other local dailies, reporting the explosion on January 27 of two bombs in the Lee Yuan Gambling Den located behind the Kung Woo Theatre, on Min Kuo Road, Nantao, etc., enquiries ascertained that on the morning of January 27, a bomb which was left [redacted] beneath a gambling table of the said den suddenly exploded resulting in five persons being slightly injured. These were later removed to the Refugee hospital, Kiu Mow Dee, Nantao. One suspect was arrested.

The victimized gambling den, it is understood, is located near to the Si Yuan ( 西 園 ) Gambling Den and it is generally believed that the incident is the outcome of business competition between these two establishments.

At 3 p.m. January 31, a handgrenade was found unexploded underneath a table in the Nan Yuan ( 南 園 ) Gambling Den, 195 Min Kuo Road, Nantao, by one of the employees and was later removed by the Shanghai City Government Police Bureau. Competition is suspected to be the cause of the incident.

Commr. of Police
Sir:
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Chinese-American Daily News, Cheng Yien Pao, National Herald, Sin Wan Pao, Shun Pao :- 31/1/41

GAMBLING DEN IN NANTAO BOMBED ON CHINA NEW YEAR DAY

On China New Year Day, three hand-grenades were thrown into the Li Yuan (利源) Gambling Den at the entrance of King Ka Fong (金家坊), Oong Ka Loong (翁家弄), in Nantao. The hand-grenades exploded injuring 11 male and female gamblers one of whom sustained two broken legs and was removed to the Refugee Hospital for treatment.

It is also learned that a youth in foreign dress was arrested as a suspect and was taken to the Police Bureau.

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National Herald, Cheng Yien Pao, Chinese-American Daily News :- 29/1/41

NANTAO GAMBLING DEN BOMBED

At about 2 p.m. January 27, two bombs which were placed in the Lee Yuan Gambling Den (惠園), behind the Kung Woo Theatre (共和大戲院) on Min Kuo Road (民國路), Nantao, suddenly exploded. Ten persons were injured in the panic which followed.

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National Herald :- 1/2/41

BOMB DISCOVERED IN NAN YUEN GAMBLING DEN IN NANTAO : LI YUAN GAMBLING DEN BOMBED

The manager of the Nan Yuen (南園) Gambling Den in Sin Kai Ho (新開河), Nantao, is one Zee (徐) alias Dah Kou Ts (大狗子), a native of Shantung. This gambling den has been in existence for three months and is doing a very good business. As a result some jealousy has been created among other gambling dens.

At 3 p.m. yesterday a small bomb was found on the ground floor of the gambling den. It was immediately removed and destroyed.

It is learned that the Li Yuan (利園) Gambling Den in Nantao was bombed on January 30 resulting in injury to several persons.

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Secretariat,
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To: Secretary & Commissioner General:

S. M. C.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments to [illegible] concerning herewith the undermentioned subject.

Reference No:- D. 8039 A/41 (C) - 18.

Subject :- Gambling Dens in Nantao.

Enclosures Copy of Police Report.

January 15, 1941.

NANTAO SITUATION.

The following four gambling dens owing to business depression were closed on January 14, 1941 :

1. Dah Fah(  ) Amusement Resort, 479, Foh Yeu Road.
2. Tai Ping Yang Happy Garden (  ), 434 Foh Yeu Road.
3. Zung Cen Foh Shing Company (  ), Lane 36, (Aung Cen Lee), 20 Loo Shiang Yuen Road.
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Commr. of Police.
Sir:
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January 8, 1941

TAIRIKU SHIMPO

MAYOR CHEN KUNG-PO TO URGE OPERATORS OF GAMBLING DENS AND OPIUM DENS VOLUNTARILY TO GIVE UP THEIR BUSINESS

In view of the fact that a large number of gambling dens are being operated publicly or semi-publicly in the Western District and Nantao, Mayor Chen Kung-po is determined to exterminate all gambling and opium-smoking dens for they are greatly prejudicial to the construction of a brighter Shanghai. He is at present conducting secret negotiations with the authorities concerned and is urging operators of gambling and opium smoking dens to give up their business.

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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

December 31, 1940.

To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- D.8039A/41(C)-13.

Subject :- Nantao Situation.

Enclosures

Copy of Police Report.

For information. No action required.

CONFIDENTIAL

December 27, 1940.

Nantao Situation.

The "Hwo Wei" lottery in Nantao which it was reported had closed on December 24, 1940, resumed operations at 2 p.m. on December 26, 1940, but in an inconspicuous way. The article to the effect that the "Hwo Wei" lottery in Nantao was totally abolished which appeared in the Central China Daily News on December 27, 1940, is untrue.

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SHANGHAI MB 31 DEC 1940 COMMISSIONER

The order recently issued by Mayor Chen Kung-po has achieved its effect as all the hua-huei gambling establismhents in Nantao have closed down. The gambling houses are said to be planning to adopt legitimate business and trade to cater to the lawful needs of the 200,000 inhabitants of Nantao.

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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

December 27, 1940.

To. Secretary & Commissioner General,

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The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- D. 8039A/41(c)18.

Subject :- Nantao Situation.

Enclosures Copy of a Police Report.

For information. No action required.

December 26, 1940.

NANTAO SITUATION

The "Hwo Wei" Lottery in Nantao ceased operating at 1.30 p.m., December 24, 1940 in accordance with the proclamation issued on December 19 by Shanghai City Government, but all the gambling dens are carrying on business as usual.

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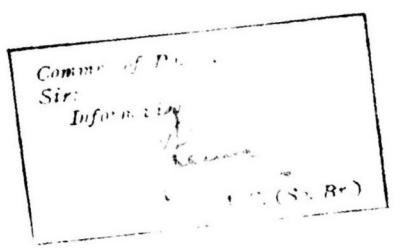

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Shanghai Press :- 24/12/40 Gambling dens in Nantao, etc

REPORTED AMALGAMATION OF GAMBLING DENS IN NANTAO

During the past two or three months, about 30 gambling dens have sprung up in Nantao, the more prominent of which are the "Si Yuan" (西園), the "Dah Sun" (大生), the "Nan Yuan" (南園), the "Loh Pao" (樂寶) and the "Loh Yuan" (樂園) gambling dens. However, the business of these gambling dens is very slack and due to the heavy expenditure the majority of these establishments are losing money.

In view of this unfavourable state of affairs, the Japanese are proposing to merge all the gambling dens in Nantao into three gambling dens, as they did in the Western District in the case of the "Loh Kuo Hotel" (樂國旅館).

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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

December 24, 19 40

To. Secretary & Commissioner General

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- D.8039 A/41(c) - 18

Subject :- Gambling Dens in Nantao

Enclosures Copy of Police report for information.

FILE

C O N F I D E N T I A L

December 23, 1940.

New Gambling Dens established in Nantao.

The following three new gambling dens were established and commenced operations on December 21, 1940:-

| Name and Address | Conductor |
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| 2. Hwa Ming Theatre ( ) No.1621 Chung Hwa Road. (North of Kung Woo Theatre) Nantao. | Sung Foh Pao ( ) age 39, native of Shanghai. |
| 3. Hwa Song Theatre ( ) No.722 Fang Pang Road, Fang Pang Bridge, Nantao | Zien Kuo Tung ( ) age 45, native of Wusieh. |

Up to the present, a total number of 22 gaming establishments including the above three are operating in Nantao.

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December 21, 1940.

Shanghai City Government Proclamation - prohibiting gambling.

Copies of a proclamation issued in the name of Mr. Chen Kung Po, Mayor of the Shanghai City Government, prohibiting gambling which includes Hwo Wei Lottery were posted in Nantao on December 19, 1940. Besides warning the people against gambling, this document also instructs the various administrative offices and Police Bureaux to take the necessary steps against such gambling dens and gamblers, failing which the responsible officers will be punished. Up to this morning, December 21, 1940, Hwo Wei Lottery and gambling dens are still in operation in Nantao.

Commr. of Police
Sir:
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Male Chinese suffering from wounds received during a bomb explosion in a gambling den in Nantao, treated at the Lester Chinese Hospital.
D.S.I. Suhoff.

Sir,

At 5.40 p.m. 13/12/40 a telephone message was received at this station from the Lester Chinese Hospital reporting admittance of a patient sufferring from injuries received during a bomb explosion in Nantao.

C.D.S.195 attended the enquiries ascertained that the injured man named [illegible] (徐士国) age 32, native of [illegible], [illegible] 47 Tung Ka Wei Rd., Nantao.

At about 5 p.m. on 13/12/40 he was gambling at the Great Shanghai (大上海) Gambling Den, Zau Cha Rd., Nantao, when a bomb suddenly exploded under the table near which he was sitting and he received injury to his left leg.

Private detective employed at this gambling den named Chih Iaung Sai (吉春山) 34, Yangchow, residing at 6 Zoong Tuh Li, Zauchow Road, Nantao, called a hire motor car and escorted the wounded man to the Lester Chinese Hospital.

The Dr's certificate was issued:-"Bomb wound of left leg. Not serious." The patient was discharged after treatment and together with the private detective brought to this station.

The patient and the private detective denied knowing the cause of the explosion and the number of persons injured.

They were allowed to go, the private detective escorted the wounded man to his residence in Nantao.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE SPECIAL BRANCH

Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

December 12, 1940.

To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments to forward herewith the undermentioned papers.

Reference No:- D.8039A/41(C)-18.

Subject :- Collection of tax from gambling dens in Nantao.

Enclosures

Copy of Police Report.
For information. No action required.

FILE

December 11, 1940.

Nantao Situation.

Further to the Special Branch report dated November 27, 1940, the "Shanghai District Relief Association" (上海市地方救济协会) with offices at House 1178 Woon Ping Road, off Old West Gate, Nantao, commenced to collect a flat tax of $500.00 per day from each of the gambling dens in Nantao with effect from December 1, 1940, irrespective of the volume of business done. The "Association" is in charge of Keng Kia Kee (林嘉基) with Chu Zung Ling (朱順林) as his deputy, who is general manager of the Lok Kuo Hotel, Avenue Haig, while one Ling Tien Bang (凌天鵬) who is a satellite of General Loo Ying and formerly employed in the Public Safety Bureau as a detective Sergeant, has been appointed to take charge of the collection of this money.

The number of the gambling dens at present operating in Nantao remain unchanged.

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Press report - "Hwo Wei Lottery King" beaten up

With reference to the attached translation of extract from Cheng Wien Pao dated November 26, 1940 on the above subject, enquiries show that Li Siao Jao( 李 孝 高 ), a notorious Hwo Wei lottery conductor, accompanied by two of his bodyguards, was proceeding through the gate at Nan Wang Jao (south end of Boulevard de Montigny,) into Nantao in a private motor car, when they were stopped and told by the Chinese members assisting the Japanese Gendarmerie to alight from the car, in order to search the inside of the vehicle. No notice was taken of their passes. The bodyguards showed resentment and accused the police of purposely embarrassing Li, which resulted in an argument but no blows were struck. The Chinese gendarmes reported the matter to the Japanese gendarmes, and the car and its occupants were taken to the Zia Jao Police Bureau. They were however allowed to go after the cause of the trouble had been investigated.

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Li Siao Jao is at present the operator of the Si Yuen Gambling House, Chung Hwa Road, Old West Gate, Nantao. It is learned that when this den was to be opened in August, 1940, he, through the recommendation of a third party, became a disciple of Isamu Kawakami ( 川 上 勇 ) (Japanese), Chief of the Nantao Section of the Japanese Gendarmerie, and presented him with a motor car for his services.

He, however, failed to recognise the Chinese members in a similar manner and dissatisfaction was created.

It is also learned that Li Siao Pao is on intimate terms with General Loo Ying, Commissioner of Police. Some seven years ago, he was chief of detectives attached to the Chapei and West Gate Police Stations. He absconded because of corruption having been discovered and was wanted on a circular order issued by the former Shanghai City Government. He was in hiding until the withdrawal of the Chinese troops from Shanghai at the end of 1937, when he commenced the Two Wei Lottery in the Western District. He is reported to have amassed a large fortune through gambling.

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November 26, 1940. Morning Translation

Cheng Yien Pao, Chinese-American Daily News, National Herald.-

"HWO HWEI LOTTERY KING" BEATEN UP

After the fall of Shanghai, Li Siao-pao (李筱宝), the "hwo hwei lottery king," established the Si Yuan Gambling Den (西園) outside the West Gate in Nantao and has amassed a very large fortune. He owns a private residence at No. 442 Jessfield Road in the Western District and a motor car, licence No. 499. Recently, he held a funeral ceremony for his mother under the pretext of promoting the establishment of schools and received presents valued at nearly $100,000.

Lately he has been active in the French Concession where he has established 30 hwo hwei lottery agencies, mostly located in the alleyways along Rue Conty. This became known to the French Police and strict searches were made for the arrest of Li Siao-pao.

At about 10.15 a.m. yesterday when Li was entering Chinese territory through the gate at the corner of Nan Yang Jao (南陽橋) and Rue Millot in his private motor car together with his bodyguards, he was stopped at the gate and searched by City Government policemen and Japanese gendarmes who asked him to produce his "resident permit" for examination. As he holds a pass, Li refused to be searched with the result that a dispute ensued and Li was forcibly dragged down from his car by the Japanese gendarmes and was given a beating from which he emerged with a broken head through being struck with rifle butts. His two bodyguards and the driver were likewise assaulted. Eventually Li and his men were taken to the Japanese Gendarmerie.

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Another Version

According to a report appearing in the "Central China Daily News" to-day, Li Siao-pao, the "hwo hwei lottery king," in the course of his dispute with the Japanese gendarmes yesterday at the gate at Nan Yang Jao, was arrested together with his bodyguards and taken to the Police Bureau.

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Special Branch, Police.

November 29, 1940.

To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments to the Secretary and has the honour to forward herewith the undermentioned document.

Reference No:- D.8039A/41(C)-18.

Subject :- Gambling Dens in Nantao.

Enclosures

Copy of Police Report.

For information. No action required.

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Male Chinese admitted to the Lester Chinese Hospital suffering from wounds received during a bomb explosion in Nantao.

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Sir,

At 4.20 p.m. 10/11/40 a telephone message was received at this Station from the Lester Chinese Hospital reporting that a male Chinese had just been admitted there sufferring from wounds received during a bomb explosion in Nantao.

C.D.S.342 attended and questioned the wounded man, when the following was ascertained:-

The wounded man named Sung S Ming(沈士明) age 35, native of Kompo, S/teaboy, employed at Ta Fah(大發) Gambling Den at 714 Foo Yue Road(福佑路) Nantao, residing at the same address.

At about 3 p.m. 10/11/40, a bomb was thrown at the above gambling den, when several male Chinese were injured. Immediately after the explosion he was taken by a co-employee teaboy named Sung Chi Lang(沈其郎) in a public ricsha to the Lester Chinese Hospital.

His injury was certified:- "Laceration and Hemetoma ? amputation of right toes. Quite serious. Detained. Will require 20 days' treatment in Hospital."

The teaboy Sung Chi Lang who escorted the injured man to the Hospital, also did not know the particulars about the bomb explosion in the gambling den.

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November 6, 1940.

Gambling Dens in Mantao.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

S. 1, Special Branch ~~Station~~.

REPORT

Date October 1, 1940.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE S. B. REGISTRY File No. S. B. D.

Subject Explosion of hand grenade in Si Yuan Ballroom, Nantao.

Made by D. I. Pan Lien Pih Forwarded by D. I. Crawford

Commr. of Police Sir: ...

At 5 p.m. September 28, a handgrenade exploded inside the Si Yuan Ballroom, a gambling den at 1451 Chung Hwa Road, Nantao, injuring four patrons, who were subsequently removed to a hospital in Nantao for treatment. The missile was left on the premises by some unknown person who made good his escape.

It is suspected that the bombing was revenge and perpatrated by persons interested in the gambling business. This gambling den was established on August 1, 1940, and following the opening, it is said, the conductor named Li Siao Pao (李筱寶) made arrangements with the Police of the Shanghai City Government to have all other small gambling dens in the same district closed down. Those dens were closed by the Police on August 25, 1940, and through their closure the business of the Si Yuan Ballroom became very prosperous. It is reported to have made a profit of $400,000.00 recently.

(Vide Special Branch report dated 26/8/40).

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D. C. (Special Branch).

# Bomb Hurled Into Gaming House

## Nantao Becomes "Second Badlands"; Opium Dives Close Their Doors

Bomb-throwing threats often resorted to by rival gangs in the western district when gambling house managers held full sway in that part of the city in the not distant past are now being repeated in the "second badlands" in Nantao. While free-for-all fights and shootings were reported in the gambling section of the native city recently, the first bomb incident occurred on Saturday.

According to the "Cheng Yien Pao," a "phosphorus" bomb was tossed into the biggest gambling house, the West Garden, a newly-established business in Chung Hwa Road shortly after 5 p.m. The missile exploded, wounding four gamblers one of whom had his four fingers blown off. The bomb was thrown near a table around which many were indulging in the "21-gate" gambling game. The bomb tosser escaped, but three suspects were later caught by the Chinese police.

### Opium Dens Closed

Chiu Mow Ti in Nantao, a street notorious for opium during the pre-war days, has of late lived up to its former reputation. The report states that between 10 and 20 opium hongs and opium smoking houses are located in that street alone, but on Friday night they suddenly closed their doors, although gambling houses nearby kept their doors open. No reason for the sudden closure is mentioned, but it is suggested that the recent police action taken against opium-smoking houses in Yu Yuen Road, might have had an effect on the opium business in the native city.

As a contrast to the "badlands," the Settlement police have been relentless in their drive against gambling. Only on Saturday 12 gamblers were fined or sentenced to prison terms by the First Special District Court. The gamblers were arrested by the Pootoo Road police in a small gambling establishment at No. 4 Hung Su Fang, (Lane 234) Mapai Road. There, the police found them playing dice and "Pai-chiu" an old-fashioned way of playing Chinese cards. Several gambling sets were confiscated by the court.

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# SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

S.1, Special Branch.

**REPORT**

File No. D 8039/41(C)-18

Date Sept. 26, 1940.

Subject Political Police Bureau bans sale of pro-Chungking newspapers in Nantao - Registration of armed guards in the employ of gambling dens.

Made by D.I. Pan Lien-pih, Forwarded by D.S.I. Logan.

With reference to the attached translation of an article entitled "Political Police Bureau Bans Sale of Newspapers Harmful to the Republic : Shops And Amusement Resorts Instructed Not To Advertise In These Newspapers," which appeared in the September 23 issue of the Central China Daily News, enquiries show that the term "newspapers harmful to the Republic" contained in the original text of the article refers to all vernacular newspapers which are anti-Wang Ching Wei in nature.

According to information obtained from a source closely connected with the Political Police Bureau, the latest notification instructing shops and amusement resorts not to advertise in pro-Chungking papers, was issued for the purpose of making known the intention of the Bureau to eventually interfere with the operation of the gambling dens in Nantao, while the banning of the sale of pro-Chungking newspapers in Nantao can only be interpreted as a subterfuge on the part of the Bureau, when it is remembered that ever since the occupation of Nantao by the Japanese Army at the end of 1937, such papers have not been allowed to be brought into the area and that the financial position of the shops in Nantao does not warrant the insertion of commercial advertisements in newspapers.

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In order to attract patrons to visit their establishments, the gambling dens in Nantao, such as the Si Yuen Gambling Den and the Loh Yuan Gambling Den, have been daily advertising in the columns of pro-Wang newspapers while on occasion they have also advertised in the columns of pro-Chungking newspapers. Since all these gambling dens are operating under the supervision or protection of the Shanghai City Government Police Bureau, the Political Police Bureau has never had any share of revenue from those establishments, hence the notification instructing them not to insert advertisements in pro-Chungking vernacular newspapers, which has been duly complied with.

Apart from issuing the above notification, the Political Police Bureau on September 22nd, also issued instructions to the gambling dens in Nantao, calling for the registration of armed guards in their employ and also of their firearms. It is learned, however, that the dens have thus far ignored these instructions.

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September 23, 1940. Morning Translation

Central China Daily News, Bing Pao, Kuo Min Daily News :-

"POLITICAL POLICE BUREAU BANS SALE OF NEWSPAPERS HARMFUL TO REPUBLIC : SHOPS AND AMUSEMENT RESORTS INSTRUCTED NOT TO ADVERTISE IN THESE NEWSPAPERS"

Following the outbreak of hostilities in Shanghai, thousands of miles of territory were lost and the fertile lands in South-East China were ravaged. The peace movement started by President Wang is receiving nation-wide support. The nation is embarking on a programmo of reconstruction following the reorganization and the return of the government to its old seat at Nanking.

However, a number of local newspapers, such as the "Chinese-American Daily News," the "Ta Mei Wan Pao," the "China Evening News," the "Ta Ying Yeh Pao," the newly published "Cheng Yien Pao" and others, relying upon the influence of foreigners in the Settlement, have been persistently conducting malicious propaganda and spreading rumours to mislead the public. Their activities, which amount to wilful damage of the Republic, are truly deplorable.

As business in this locality, particularly in Nantao, is gradually improving, the Political Police Bureau of the Ministry of Police has issued a circular order to commercial concerns and amusement resorts in Nantao instructing them not to advertise in the columns of the newspapers mentioned above; in the meantime, news vendors have been prohibited from selling these newspapers.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

Section 1, Special Branch

REPORT

Date Sept. 23, 1940.

Subject New gambling den established in Nantao.

Made by D.I. Pan Lien Pih Forwarded by D.S.I. Logan

On September 20, a new gambling den known as the "Loh Yuen Tea Room and Amusement Resort" (陸園茶室花園娛樂劇場), located on the former site of the Loh Ka Garden, 1584 Chung Hwa Road, near Old West Gate, Nantao, was opened for business. The principal conductor is one Zia Pao Sung (謝葆生), a well-known Chinese in Shanghai and owner of the Ciro's Night Club, Bubbling Well Road. It has a capital of $150,000. This den provides, in addition to gambling, the staging of comic performences as a camouflage to hide its true activities.

Prior to the establishment of the den, advertisements were published in the Central China Daily News.

There are at present four gaming houses, of which the above mentioned is the largest, operating in the Nantao District. Particulars of the dens are given hereunder :-

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| 2. Lee Yuen Amusement Resort (利源娛樂場), Kien Woo Li, alleyway Ong Ka Loong, Old West Gate, City. | 17.8.40 | Kyi Keng Ling (許根林) |

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| 4. Loh Yuen Tea Room and Amusement Resort (隆園茶室花園娛樂場), 1584 Chung Hwa Road, near Old West Gate, Nantao (the former site of the Loh Ka Garden). | 20.9.40 | Zia Pao Sung (謝[illegible]生) |

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No. S. B. D 4039/40(C)-18

S.1. Special Br. Station, 9 40

REPORT

Date September 18, 19 40.

Subject Assassination of Lieu Yung Hwa (刘荣华).

Made by D.I. Pan Lien Pih Forwarded by D.S.I. Logan

(Vide S.B.Reports 18/7/40 and 26/8/40)

At about 5 a.m. 9.9.40, Lieu Yung Hwa, one of the shareholders of the Yoong Sung (榮生) Gambling Den, 10 Lieu Vung Loong (劉後壽), Sin Jao Ka, Kiu Mow Di, City, which was closed on 25.8.40 as per instructions of the S.C.G.P.B., and chief of the den's bodyguards, was fatally shot by three assassins outside the den in question. He subsequently succumbed to his wounds on the same day.

The deceased Lieu Yung Hwa was 39 years of age, a native of Tientsin and was residing in the premises of the said gambling den. Prior to his being assassinated Lieu was known to have been at variance with one Tsang Teh Sung (張德勝), who is a native of Shantung and is also a bodyguard employed by one of the gambling dens in the city, over business competetion, and it is therefore suspected that the assassination may have been perpetrated at the instigation of Tsang Teh Sung. However, no definite evidence in this connection is at present available. There is no political significance attached to this incident.

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Date September 10 1940.

Subject New Gambling Den established in Nantao

Made by D.I. Pan Lien Pih Forwarded by D.S.I. Logan

On September 9, 1940, a new gambling den entitled : "Dah Fah Amusement Resort (大發娛樂場), came into being at 479 Foh Yeu Road, City. It is financed by one Yang Kyi Yoong (楊徒榮) who is a native of Swatow, residing at 87 Loo Shiang Yuen Road, Nantao, with a capital of some $90,000. Games of chance such as "Bah Jiu", "Yao Tan" and "High & Low" are provided. It is reported that the management of the den have spent some $60,000 in obtaining from the S.C.G.P.B an "Amusement House Licence" which permits the den to function.

With the opening of the above-mentioned gambling den, there are at present altogether three gambling dens operating in the Nantao District, namely :

| Name & Adress | Date of Establishment | Conductor |
|---|---|---|
| 1. Si Yuen Ballroom (西園舞廳), 1451 Chung Hwa Rd. near Old West Gate, Nantao. | 1.8.40 | Li Siao Pao (李筱堡) |
| 2. Lee Yuen Amusement Resort. (利源娛樂場), Kien Woo Li, alley-way Ong Ka loong, Old West Gate, City. | 17.8.40 | Kyi Keng Ling (計根林) |
| 3. Dah Fah Amusement Resort (大發娛樂場), 479 Foh Yeu Rd., City. | 9.9.40 | Yang Kyi Yoong (楊徒榮) |

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REPORT

Date September 2, 1940.

Subject Gambling Dens in Nantao

Made by D.I. Pan Lien Pih Forwarded by D.S.I. Logan

(Vide Sp. Br. report 26/8/40).

Commr. of Police
Sir:
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Commencing from August 31, 1940, the Lee Yuen (利源) Amusement Resort, Kien Woo Li, Oong Ka Loong, Old West Gate, City, and the Si Yuen Ballroom (西園), 1451 Chung Hwa Road, Old West Gate, Nantao, the only two gambling dens authorized to operate in that district, are remaining open for business through-out the night.

At 11.30 a.m. August 31, 1940, a bomb, presumably left by some unknown person, suddenly exploded in the Lee Yuen Amusement Resort. Four gamblers and one employee of the resort received slight injuries. In consequence of the explosion, gambling was suspended temporarily until 3 p.m. the same day, when it recommenced.

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**REPORT**

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
File No. 8039/4/G-18
No. S. 26 Sub. 1/40

Date August 26 1940

*Subject* Gambling Dens in Nantao - closed with the exception of two.

*Made by* D. I. Pan Lien Bih *Forwarded by* D. S. I. Logan.

Commr. of P.
Sir:
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R. W. Lock
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The gambling dens in Nantao, which opened during the past two months, closed down as from August 25, 1940, on the instructions of the Bureau of Police of the Shanghai City Government, with the exception of the following two leading ones :-

| Name and Address | Date of establishment | Conductor |
|---|---|---|
| 1. Si Yuen Ballroom (西園舞廳), 1451 Chung Hwa Rd., near Old West Gate, Nantao. | 1/8/40 | Li Siao Pao (李筱寶). |
| 2. Lee Yuen Amusement Resort. (利源娛樂場), Kien Woo Li alleyway, Ong Ka Loong, Old West Gate, City. | 17/8/40 | Kyi Keng Ling (計根林). |

Prior to August 25, 1940, there were altogether eighteen gambling dens. It is reported that their closure was ordered as the result of a joint decision of Mr. Loo Ying (盧英), Commissioner of Police, and the Japanese authorities, who considered that gambling establishments in Nantao were too numerous and therefore decided to close the smaller ones.

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REPORT

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
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Date ~~August 02~~ 1940

*Subject* Gambling Dens in Nantao - establishment of additional new dens and change of address of the Chi An Company

*Made by* D.I. Pan Lien Pih *Forwarded by* D. S. I. Logan

Seven new gambling dens have established in Nantao, thus making a total of 18 such establishments at present operating in that area.

Details of the seven new dens are given below :

The Tai San Happy Garden (泰山樂園).

The Tai San Happy Garden, a gambling den, located at Houses Nos. 1 - 2 Ts An Li alleyway (智安里) Loo Shiang Yuen Road, Kiu Mow Di, City, opened for business on August 6, 1940. It is conducted by Sung Sing Fu (沈心梅), age about 50, a native of Hangchow, who is Chairman of the "Nantao Branch of the Chinese Labourers' Welfare Association (中華工人福益會), with offices at 15 Dah Ching Road, Kiu Mow Di, City. It opened with a capital of $5,000.00 of which $3,000.00 was subscribed by Zung Ts San (陳志珊), a Cantonese reported to be an ex-Senior Staff-Employee of the Li Wei Lo Gambling Den, 1238 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L., which was incorporated on 31.7.40 with the "Loh Kuo Hotel" (六國飯店), a gambling den at 346 Avenue Haig, O.O.L.

(Vide Special Branch Report - dated 1/8/40 5/8/40).

East Asia Amusement Resort (東亞游藝場).

The East Asia Amusement Resort commenced ~~for~~ business on August 14, 1940, at House 1, Lane 1249 Loh Ka Pang Road (陸家浜路), Nantao, near St.Catherine's Bridge. Games of chance including "Bah Jiu" and "Yao Tan" etc., are provided in the inner rooms of the premises

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which is a Chinese style dwelling house, comprising some six big rooms, while entertainment in the form of conjuring and Pootung songs, etc., is provided for the public on payment of admission charges in the outer rooms, in the same manner as that prevailing in other amusement houses. Koo Lien Zung (顧連城), 40, Pootung, is the conductor. He was Senior Detective, attached to the North Railway Station Police Bureau of the Shanghai City Government, some five years ago and is known under the nickname -"Zai Vong Ah Lien (裁縫阿連)"- among the loafer community. The den has a capital of $6,000.00

Golden Gate Happy Garden (金门樂園)

On August 17, 1940, the Golden Gate Happy Garden came into being at 24 Ong Ka Loong, Old West Gate, City. It is conducted by Tsang Ah Kyung (張阿金) with a capital of $8,000.00

Lee Yuen Amusement Resort (利源娛樂場)

On August 17, 1940, the Lee Yuen Amusement Resort came into existence at a Chinese style residential building, in Kien Woo Li alleyway (繼和里), Ong Ka Loong, Old West Gate, City. It is conducted by Kyi Keng Ling (計根林), age about 40, a native of Shanghai, who is reported to be an ex-private Inspector employed by the Central Hotel, Hoopeh and Pakhoi Roads. It has a capital

of $50,000.00.

Hwa Yuen Gambling Den ( 華 園 ).

The Hwa Yuen Gambling Den opened for business on 17.8.40. It is located in the east wing upstairs rooms of the Hwa Yuen Bath House, 1137 Ming Kuo Road, corner of Fang Pang Road. It is conducted by Faung Ah Keng ( 方 阿 根), with a capital of $5,000.00.

Nan Yang Company ( 南 陽 公 司 ).

On 17.8.40, the Nan Yang Co. commenced functioning at 40 Heng An Faung ( 恒 安 坊 ), Fang Pang Road. Tsang Mong Sung ( 張 夢 生 ), tudee of Lee Siao Pao ( 李 筱 寶 ) is the conductor. It has a capital of $5,000.00. Lee Siao Pao is the conductor of the Si Yuen (西 園 ) Gambling Den, Old West Gate.

(Vide Special Branch Report - dated 5/8/40).

Foh Lee Company ( 福 利 公 司 ).

On 20/8/40, the Foh Lee Company opened for business at 175 Kyung Ka Faung, ( 金 家 坊), Ong Ka Loong, Old West Gate, the conductor being Zung Sz Yuen ( 陳 樹 源) who is aged about 30, a native of Tientsin and is reported to be an ex-Sergeant of the Old Public Safety Bureau. It has a capital of $6,000.00.

Change of Address of the Chi An Company ( 吉 安 公 司 ).

(Vide Special Branch Report - dated 21/7/40).

The Chi An Company, a gambling den, hitherto located at 16 Lane 98 Loo Shiang Yuen Road, City, was on August 8, 1940, removed to 755 Boulevard de deux Republiques, Nantao, corner of Loo Shiang Yuen Road, in consequence of the increased volume of business and has

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since been renamed the "Green Spot Company (绿寶公司)."

The above seven new dens have no connection whatsoever with those operating in the Western District, C.O.L.

A revised list of gambling dens at present in operation in Nantao area is attached hereto.

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| | Name and Address | Date of Establishment | Conductors | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Ziang Sung Co. (祥生公司), 11 Zung An Li (Lane 36) Loo Shiang Yuan Road, Kiu Mow Di, City. | July, 1940. | Chang Kwei Foh (張桂福) | - |
| 2. | Zung An Foh Shing Co. (仁安復兴公司), 20 Zung Ah Li, Loo Shiang Yuan Road, City. | -do- | Tsang Tsung Pao (張春寶) | - |
| 3. | Yoong Sung Co. (荣生公司), 10 Liu Vung Loong, Sing Jao Ka, Kiu Mow Di, City. | -do- | Li Hai Dah (李海大) | - |
| 4. | Green Spot Co. (綠宝公司), 755 Boulevard de deux Republiques, Nantao, Corner of Loo Shiang Yuan Road. (Formerly known as Chi An Company). | -do- | Li San Ts (李三子) | Change of name and address effected on 8/8/40. |
| 5. | Foh Lee Co, (福利公司), 25 Kao Tung Road, Nantao. | -do- | Liu Hai San (刘海珊) | - |

| Name and Address | Date of Establishment | Conductors | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|
| 6 Yung Lew Gold Drinks and Tea Room (永利冷飲茶室), 3 Ching Yu Li, Loo Shiang Yuan Road, City. | July, 1940. | Wong Keng Ling (王根林) | - |
| 7. Heng An Company (恒安公司), House No. 16, Heng An Faung alleyway, Faung Pang Road, Nantao. | 21.7.40 | Tsang Mong Sung (張夢生) | - |
| 8. Yung Chi Dong Loh Club (榮记仝樂俱樂部), 34 An Zung Ka, Min Kuo Road, Nantao. | 29.7.40 | Tsang Ping Yung (張炳榮) | - |
| 9. Si Yuen Ballroom (西園舞廳), 1451 Chung Hwa Road, near Old West Gate, Nantao. | 1.8.40 | Li Siao Pao (李筱宝) | - |
| 10. Ciro Tea Room (仙樂茶室), 202 Yen Hai Road, Old North Gate, Nantao. | 1.8.40 | Li Loh Sung (李樂生) | - |

| Name and Address | Date of Establishment | Conductor | Remark |
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| 11. Loh Lee Company ( 樂利公司 ), 40 Loo Zih Ka, Tungkadoo, Nantao. | 1.8.40 | Zien Kou Tsung ( 錢阿棟 ) | - |
| 12. Tai San Happy Garden ( 泰山樂園 ), House Nos. 1-2 Ts An Li alleyeay Loo Shiang Yuan Road, Kiu Mow Di, City. | 6.8.40 | Sung Sing Fu ( 宋[illegible] ) | - |
| 13. East Asia Amusement Resort ( 東亞娛樂場 ), House 1, Lane 1249 Loh Ka Pang Road, Nantao, near St. Catherine's Bridge. | 14.8.40 | Koo Lien Zung ( 顧[illegible] ) | - |
| 14. Golden Gate Happy Garden ( 金門樂園 ), 24 Ong Ka Loong, Old West Gate, City. | 17.8.40 | Tsang Ah Kyung ( 張阿[illegible] ) | - |
| 15. Lee Yuen Amusement Resort ( 利源娛樂場 ), in Kien Woo Li alleyway, Ong Ka Loong, Old West Gate, City. | 17.8.40 | Kyi Keng Ling ( 井[illegible] ) | - |

| | Name and Address | Date of Establishment | Conductor | Remark |
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| 16. | Hwa Yuen Gambling Den ( 華園 ), in the east wing upstairs rooms of the Hwa Yuen Bath House, 1137 Ming Kuo Road, corner of Fang Pang Road. | 17.8.40 | Faung Ah Keng ( 彭阿根 ) | - |
| 17. | Foh Lee Company ( 福利公司 ), 175 Kyung Ka Faung, Ong Ka Loong, Old West Gate, City. | 20/8/40 | Zung Sz Yuen ( 崇樹源 ) | - |
| 18. | Nan Yang Company ( 南洋公司 ), 40 Heng An Faung, Faung Pang Road. | 17.8.40 | Tang Mong Sung( [illegible] ) | - |

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Headquarters,
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August 6, 1940.

To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- D.8039A/41(C).

Subject :- New gambling dens established in Nantao.

Enclosures

Copy of a Police Report.

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# SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

Section I, Special Branch.

## REPORT

Date August 5, 19 40.

Subject New gambling dens established in Nantao.

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Three new gambling dens have been established in Nantao, making a total of 11 such establishments at present in operation in Nantao.

The particulars of the three new dens are given hereunder :-

Si Yuen Ball Room ( )

On August 1, 1940, a gambling den entitled Si Yuen Ball Room came into existence at 1451 Chung Hwa Road, near the Old West Gate, Nantao. "Roulette" and "Yao Tai" etc. are provided in the upstairs rooms of the premises while the downstairs rooms comprises a ball room and a billiard room. It is conducted by Li Siao Pao ( ), a satellite of Loo Ying ( ), Commissioner of the "Shanghai City Government Police Bureau". Li is wanted on a charge of malfeasance in office while serving as a detective sub-inspector about 7 years ago, in the now defunct Shanghai City Government Police (old P.S.B.).

The opening ceremony for the ballroom took place at 6.30 p.m. August 1, and was attended by a large gathering of some 400 persons, including Miss Buh Hong ( ), Miss Li Hong ( ) two movie stars and Mr. Wong Tse

Tsaung ( ), Chief of the Nantao Branch of Police Bureau of "Shanghai City Government". During the function, Wong made a speech eulogizing the deeds of Lee Siao Pao in assisting the rehabilitation of the Nantao Area by establishing the amusement resort.

At 4 p.m. the same day, 3 Japanese officers attached to the Ohta Detachment ( ) of the Japanese Military arrived in a motor car at the ballroom and made an inspection of same but did not visit the upstairs portion as gambling was in progress at the time.

Ciro Tea Room ( )

The Ciro Tea Room, which is a gambling den, is located at 202 Yen Hai Road ( ), Old North Gate, Nantao, and opened for business on August 1. It is conducted by Li Loh Sung ( ), aged 45, a native of Ningpo who is reported to be an ex-shareholder of the Zau Foong ( ) gambling den on Yu Yuen Road near Jessfield Park, O.O.L. which was recently closed. It has a capital of $5,000.00.

Loh Lee Company ( )

On August 1, a gambling den known as Loh Lee Company was established at No.40 Loo Zih Ka, Tungkadoo, outside Small South Gate, Nantao.

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The aforementioned three new dens have no connections whatsoever with those now operating in the Western District, C.O.L.

An up-to-date list of the 11 gambling dens at present in operation in Nantao area is attached hereto.

August 5, 1940.

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| 2. Zung An Foh Shing Co. ( ), 20 Zung An Li, Loo Shiang Yuan Rd., City. | -do- | Tsang Tsung Pao ( ) | - |
| 3. Yoong Sung Co. ( ), 10 Liu Vung Loong, Sing Jao Ka, Kiu Mow Di, City. | -do- | Li Jai Dan ( ) | - |
| 4. Chi An Co. ( ), 16, Lane 98, Loo Shiang Yuan Road. | -do- | Li San Ts ( ) | - |
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| 6. Yung Lee Cold Drinks and Tea Room ( ), 3 Ching Yu Li, Loo Shiang Yuan Rd.,City. | July, 1940 | Wong Keng Ling ( ) | - |
| 7. Heng An Company ( ), House No.16, Heng An Faung alleyway, Faung Pang Rd.,Nantao. | 21-7-40 | Tsang Yong Sung ( ) | - |
| 8. Yung Chi Dong Loh Club ( ), 34 An Zung Ka, Min Kuo Road, Nantao. | 29-7-40 | Tsang Ping Yung ( ) | - |
| 9. Si Yuen Ballroom ( ), 1451 Chung Hwa Road, near Old West Gate, Nantao. | 1-8-40 | Li Siao Pao ( ) | - |
| 10. Ciro Tea Room ( ) 202 Yen Hai Rd., Old North Gate, Nantao. | 1-8-40 | Li Loh Sung ( ) | - |
| 11. Loh Lee Company ( ), 40 Doo Zih Ka, Tungkadoo, Nantao. | 1-8-40 | Zien Kou Tung ( ) | - |

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**REPORT**

Date August 5, 1940

Subject New Gambling dens established in Nantao.

Made by D. I. Pan Lien-pih. Forwarded by D. I. Crawford.

Three new gambling dens have been established in Nantao, making a total of 11 such establishments at present in operation in Nantao.

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| 2. Zung An Foh Shing Co. ([illegible]安發興公司), 20 Zung An Li, Loo Shiang Yuan Rd., City. | -do- | Tsang Tsung Tao ([illegible]) | - |
| 3. Yoong Sung Co. ([illegible]生公司), 10 Liu Vung Loong, Sing Jao Ka, Kiu Mow Di, City. | -do- | Li Kai San (李[illegible]心) | - |
| 4. Chi An Co. (吉安公司), 16, Lane 98, Loo Shiang Yuan Rd. | -do- | Li [illegible] (李[illegible]) | - |
| 5. Foh Lee Co. ([illegible]利公司), 25 Kao Tung Road, Nantao. | -do- | Liu [illegible] San ([illegible]) | - |
| 6. Yung Lee Cold Drinks and Tea Room (永利冷飲茶室), 3 Ching Yu Li, Loo Shiang Yuan Rd., City. | -do- | Yang Kang Ling ([illegible]) | - |

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| 2. Zung An Foh Shing Co. (仁安福興公司), 20 Zung An Li, Loo Shiang Yuan Rd., City. | -do- | Tsang Tsung Pao (張春寶) | - |
| 3. Yoong Sung Co. (榮生公司), 10 Liu Vung Loong, Sing Jao Ka, Kiu Mow Di, City. | -do- | Li Hai Dah (李海大) | - |
| 4. Chi An Co. (吉安公司), 16, Lane 98, Loo Shiang Yuan Rd. | -do- | Li San Ts (李三子) | - |
| 5. Foh Lee Co. (福利公司), 25 Kao Tung Road, Nantao. | -do- | Liu Hai San (劉海山) | - |
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| 11. Loh Lee Company (樂利公司), 40 Loo Zih Ka, Tungkadoo, Nantao. | 1.8.40 | Zien Kou Tsung( 錢國棟 ) | - |

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Date July 30 1940

Subject New Gambling Dens established in Nantao

Made by D. I. Pan Lien Pih Forwarded by D. I. Crawford.

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Two new gambling dens recently came into existence in Nantao making a total of 8 such establishments now operating in Nantao. The particulars of the two new dens are as follows :-

The Heng An Company (恒安公司), House No. 16 Heng An Faung alleyway, Faung Pang Road, Nantao, was opened on July 21, with a capital of $5,000. The conductor is one TSANG MONG SUNG (張夢生), a native of Shanghai and a tudee of LI SIAO PAO (李筱寶), who is a satellite of LOO YING (盧英), Commissioner of the "Shanghai City Government Police Bureau," and wanted on a charge of malfeasance in the office while he was a detective sub-inspector, about seven years ago, in the defunct City Government Police (old P.S.B.)

The other is named The Yung Chi Dong Loh Club (榮記同樂俱樂部) which was opened for business at No. 34 An Zung Ka, Min Kuo Road, Nantao, on July 29. The conductor is one TSANG PING YUNG (張炳榮), age 35, native of Shanghai, a wellknown loafer in the Pakhoi Road area, International Settlement.

It is learned that opium smoking paraphernalia is provided in the upper floors of the gambling den for the entertainment of patrons.

These two establishments are in no way connected with the gambling dens in the Western District of Shanghai.

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# SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

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**REPORT**

File No.

Date July 21, 1940.

Subject (in full) Gambling Dens in Nantao.

Made by D.I. Pan Lien Pih Forwarded by D. I. Crawford

Reference the six gambling dens recently established in Nantao, only the Chi An Company (吉安公司), a gambling den located at Lane 98, No. 16 Loo Shiang Yuen Road, Nantao, has any connection with the gambling dens in the Western District, as LI SAN TS (李三子), Conductor of the Chi An Company, is a 'tudee' of KAO AH KENG (高阿根), who is the Conductor of the "101 Gambling Den" in the Western District. The remaining dens in the Nantao District are entirely independent and have no connections with those in the Western District.

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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

July 20, 1940.

To. Secretary & Commissioner General,
S. M. C.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- D.8039A/41(c)

Subject :- Gambling Dens established in Nantao.

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## REPORT

Date July 18, 1940.

Subject Gambling Dens established in Nantao

Made by D.I. Pan Lien Pih Forwarded by D.I. Crawford

Six gambling dens have recently been established in Nantao at the following addresses :-

| Name | Address | Principal Operator |
|---|---|---|
| Ziang Sung Co (祥生公司). | 11 Zung An Li (Lane 36) Loo Shiang Yuan Rd., Kiu Mow Dee, City. | Chang Kwei-foh (張桂福), age 39, native of Tientsin, a loafer in that area. |
| Zung An Foh Shing Co. (和安福生公司). | 20 Zung An Li, Loo Shiang Yuan Rd., City. | Tsang Tsung Pao (張崇寶), age 35 native of Shanghai, loafer. |
| Yoong Sung Co. (榮生公司). | 10 Liu Vung Loong, Sing Jao Ka, Kiu Mow Dee, city. | Li Hai Dah (李海大) age 51, native of Soochow, said to be a loafer in the Pakhoi Road area. |
| Chi An Co. (吉安公司). | 16, Lane 98 Loo Shiang Yuan Road. | Li San Ts (李三子), age 35, native of Yangchow, a "tudee" of Kao Ah Keng (高阿根), conductor of "101 gambling den" in the western district. |
| Foh Lee Co. (福利公司). | 25 Kao Tung Road, Nantao. | Liu Hai San (劉海珊), a loafer in that area. |
| Yung Lee Cold Drinks and Tea Room (永利冷飲茶室) | 3 Ching Yu Li, Loo Shiang Yuan Road, city. | Wong Keng Ling (王根林), age 36, native of Shanghai. |

It will be recalled that all gambling dens in Nantao, then numbering some 18, closed on March 19, 1940, when they were raided by the Japanese Military authorities because they were not properly licensed. The above new dens still do not possess licenses and it is not known

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
S. B. REGISTRY
No. S. B. D. 8039A/41(C)
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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

April 1, 1940.

To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- S.B.D.8039A/41(C).

Subject :- Gambling Dens in Nantao - Summary.

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REPORT

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE S. B. REGISTRY File No. No. S. 11. D 8039 A/41 Station Date

Date March 29, 1940.

Subject Gambling Dens in Nantao - Summary.

Made by D. I. Pan Lien Pih Forwarded by D. I. Crawford

No gambling dens are operating in Nantao. All such establishments closed down on March 19 after having been raided by the Japanese Gendarmerie.

Hwo Wei Lottery is, however, flourishing in Nantao; the authorities there apparently pay no attention to it.

A proclamation directed against gambling dens, was issued on March 23, 1940, over the joint signatures of Isamu Kawakami (川上勇), officer-in-charge of the Nantao Section of the Japanese Gendarmerie, and Shen Sze Ching (沈書經), Chief of the Nantao Administrative Bureau of the Shanghai City Government. This document, when translated, reads as follows :-

> "Nantao, after its reopening, has been set in good order and is expected to become prosperous by promoting industry and commerce. However, unscrupulous elements established gambling dens in the name of "companies" and "clubs" which were harmful to the people and prejudicial to peace and order. Gambling is strictly prohibited and those gambling den conductors should give up their illegal enterprise and engage in business pursuits. The people should refrain from gambling and landlords should not lease their houses to gambling dens, failing which they would be punished. The undersigned have been promised by the Japanese Military Authorities to render us assistance in suppressing gambling.
>
> (Chopped) Isamu Kawakami
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> (Chopped) Shen Sze Ching"

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REPORT

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE S. B. REPORT No. S. B. D. 8029 Date 15/4/40

Date March 21, 1940.

*Subject.* Gambling Dens in Nantao - summary.

*Made by* D.I. Crawford *Forwarded by* Supt. J. Mason

New establishments

Between March 14 and March 21, 1940, seven new gambling dens came into existence in Nantao, and one den resumed operations, bringing the total number to 18 as against 10 on March 15. Brief particulars of the new establishments are given in the attached list as a supplement to the one forwarded on March 15.

All gambling dens in Nantao suspended operations on March 19 following raids made on those places by the Japanese Gendarmerie and are still closed to-day, March 21st. Particulars of the raids are given hereunder.

Raids

The 140 or more gamblers and employees who were arrested by the Japanese Gendarmerie on March 13, 1940, during a raid on the Hwa Sung (華生) and Hang Oen (恒安) Gambling Dens, both situated in Lane 870 Fang Pang Road, were released on March 16 after a fine of $5,000 having been paid by the conductors of the dens. The Hang Oen Gambling den then resumed operations on March 17, but the other den failed to re-open.

During the afternoon of March 19, a party of Japanese Gendarmes accompanied by members of the Nantao Police Bureau, visited all gambling

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dens situated in Nantao and when this party found gambling in progress, expelled the gamblers from the premises and over-turned the gambling paraphernalia but made no arrests. The dens were then closed and have not re-opened. This Gendarmerie unit only recently arrived for duty in Nantao and has not been approached by the gambling den conductors.

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New Gambling Dens which came into existence in Wantao between March 14, and 21, 1940

| | Name and Address | Date of Establishment | Conductors | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Lee Sung Amusement Resort (利生娛樂場), Lane 1037 (振業里), Min Kuo Road. | March 14, 1940 | Yang Tung Sung (楊東昇) | - |
| 2. | Er Lai Company (而來公司), 196 Loo Shiang Yuan Road (露香園路), Kyeu Mou Dien. | March 15, 1940 | Zung Nai Tung (陳乃東) | - |
| 3. | Zung Oen Amusement Club (仁安娛樂社), 20 Zung Oen Li, Lane 85, Loo Shiang Yuan Road, Kyeu Mou Dien. | March 15, 1940 | Ah Liao, alias Liao Kai (廖愷) | Opium smoking is provided. |
| 4. | Loh Lee Company (樂利公司), 40 Loo Zih Ka (蘆廣街), Siao Poo Doo Jau, Small South Gate. | March 15, 1940 | Lee Ah Foh (李阿福) | - |
| 5. | Carlton Club (卡爾登俱乐会), 722 Fang Pang Road. | March 17, 1940 | Sung Zang Tuh (沈成德) | - |
| 6. | Fang Yuan Club (方園俱乐会), 432 Fang Pang Road. | March 17, 1940 | Lee Hai Foh (李海福) | - |
| 7. | Kwantung Yui Lee Koong (廣東有利宮), 434 Foh U Road (福佑路). | March 18, 1940 | Mei Shiang Yuan (梅香園) | - |

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
No. S.B.D. 8039A/41(C)
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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

March 18, 1940.

To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- S.B.D. 8039A/41(C).

Subject :- Gambling Dens in Nantao - Summary.

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Date March 15, 1940.

Subject. Gambling Dens in Nantao - Summary.

Made by D. I. Crawford Forwarded by Supt. J. Mason

Gambling establishments were started in Nantao towards the end of February, 1940, and there are ten dens now operating in that locality. At one time there were 14 dens but this was prior to March 14 and four suspended operations.

A list of the gambling dens situated in Nantao including those which have suspended operations, has been compiled and is attached to this report.

These gambling dens are not in possession of any form of licence but the conductors maintain they have secured verbal permission from the Japanese Gendarmerie and the Shanghai City Government Police Bureau. They pay approximately one hundred dollars per day as a fee for each gambling den but in spite of this arrangement, raids are made on the dens by the Japanese Military Authorities, the Japanese Garrison Headquarters, and the Shanghai City Government Police independently.

Raids and other Incidents

On February 22, the Nantao Police raided four gambling dens (Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 in the attached list) and arrested therefrom 240 gamblers and employees of the establishments.

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The dens resumed operations the same day almost immediately after the raids had been carried out and the arrested persons were released the next day, February 23, after paying fines ranging from $5.00 to $100.00.

On March 7, a new gambling den named Yung Sung Company (榮生公司) (No. 8 in the attached list) commenced business but was immediately raided by a squad of Chinese Police and Japanese gendarmes, who seized the gambling paraphernalia together with a sum of about $1,000 but made no arrests. The den, however, resumed operations upon the departure of the raiding party.

On March 13, a new gambling den named Hwa Sung Company (華生公司) (No. 14 in the attached list) commenced operations at No. 44, Lane 870, Fang Pang Road and at 12.30 p.m., a party of more than ten loafers, one of whom was armed with a pistol, visited this den and demanded gratuities which were refused with the result an alarm was raised compelling the den to close its doors. A party of Japanese gendarmes rushed to the scene on the alarm and ordered the den to open its doors but being refused fired five or fix shots from their rifles

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into the air. The doors were quickly opened and the military party arrested more than 140 persons. A number were arrested in another den, the Hang Oen Company (恒安公司) (No. 1 in the attached list), which is situated next door to the Hwa Sung Company and all were removed to the office of the Japanese Gendarmerie on Boon Lai Road, Nantao, where they are at present detained. When this trouble was in progress the French Police closed the iron gates at the end of Boulevard de Montigny (near the gambling dens) but re-opened them again at about 1 p.m. The two gambling dens have posted notices outside their premises stating that business is temporarily suspended because of repairs.

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## List of Gambling Dens in Nantao

| | Name and Address | Date of Establishment | Conductors | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Hang Oen Company (恒安公司), House 24, Lane 870, Fang Pang Rd. | February 19, 1940 | Li Siao Pao (李孝寶) | Suspended operations on March 13, 1940 after raid by Japanese Gendarmerie. |
| 2. | Pao Shing Company (寶興公司), 479 Foh U Road (福佑路). | February 20, 1940 | Chang Shing Pao (張興寶) | Suspended on March 2, 1940. Resumed on March 7, 1940. |
| 3. | Shing Fah Company (興發公司), 77 Oong Ka Loong (翁家弄) off Old West Gate. | February 20, 1940 | Ting Lieu Dao (丁流桃) alias Ting Siao Moh Tse (丁小麻子) | Suspended on March 2, 1940. |
| 4. | Sun Sun Company (生生公司), House 1, Oen Zung Ka (安仁街). | February 21, 1940 | Chiang Tung Ling (蔣東林) | Suspended on March 2, 1940. |
| 5. | Yah Lee Company (協利公司), 24 Oong Ka Loong, off Old West Gate. | February 25, 1940 | Zau Kyung Sung (趙金生) alias Moh Bi Kyung Sung (麻皮金生) | Suspended on March 2, 1940. Resumed on March 5, 1940. |
| 6. | Yah Kee Company (協記公司), No. 1, Lane 86, Ching Lee Ka (within Refugee Zone). | February 25, 1940 | Lee Foo Kwei (李富貴) alias Siao Peking (小北京) | Suspended on March 2, 1940. Resumed on March 5, 1940. |

| | Name and Address | Date of Establishment | Conductors | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 7. | Hwa Sung Company (花森公司), House 89, Oen Zung Ka, off New North Gate. | March 1, 1940 | Lee Foh Sung (李福生) | Suspended on March 2, 1940. Resumed on March 7, 1940. |
| 8. | Yung Sung Company (榮生公司), No. 2, Tseng Ziang Li, Lane 141, Zau Chia Road (肇嘉路). | March 7, 1940 | Wong Sz Foh (王四福) | - |
| 9. | Dah Chung Company (大中公司), 263 Foh U Road (福佑路), Refugee Zone. | March 17, 1940. | Lee Hai Sung (李海生) | - |
| 10. | Dah Lee Company (大利公司), No. 31, Si Mo Ka, Fang Pang Road. | March 11, 1940. | Tsang Kyung Yoong (張金榮) | - |
| 11. | Sing Sung Company (新生公司), 79 Oong Ka Loong, Old West Gate. | March 11, 1940. | Ting Lieu Dau (丁流桃) | - |
| 12. | Lee Yuan Club (利源俱樂部), No. 1, Lane 27, Oong Ka Loong, Old West Gate. | March 11, 1940. | Ling Siao Pao (林小寶) | - |

| | Name and Address | Date of establishment | Conductors | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 13. | Nan Yuan Company (南園公司), 12 Yee Ching Ka (貽慶街) off Fang Pang Road. | March 12, 1940 | Lee Ah Mei (李阿梅) | - |
| 14. | Hwa Sung Company (華生公司), 44, Lane 870 (恒安坊), Fang Pang Road. | March 13, 1940 | Yang Ah Ping (楊阿炳) | Suspended operations on the afternoon of March 13, 1940, after disturbance by loafers and subsequent raid by Japanese Gendarmerie. |

March 14. 1940. Morning Translation.

Chinese-American Daily News, Ta Mei Pao, National Herald, Shun Pao, Sin Wan Pao, Central China Daily News :-

GAMBLERS IN HWA SUNG GAMBLING DEN IN NANTAO KILLED BY JAPANESE GENDARMES

At 2 p.m. yesterday, shooting was heard at Nanyang Kiao (南陽橋) on the border of the French Concession and Nantao.

Investigations show that the shooting was on Fang Pang Road (方浜路), Nantao. After the re-opening of Nantao, many people entered the district and established gambling dens there. Thus, Lane 270 Heng An Fang(恒安坊) on Fang Pang Road near Nanyang Kiao became the centre of the gambling area. Raids on these dens have constantly occurred for they do not possess proper licences.

Yesterday, a party of Japanese gendarmes numbering about 70 men raided the Hwa Sung Gambling Den (華生 ), 44 Heng An Fang. On the arrival of the gendarmes, the gamblers scattered, whereupon the gendarmes gave chase and opened fire. As a consequence, two gamblers were killed.

Upon receipt of a report, the French Police closed the various iron gates on the border of the French Concession and Nantao. The gates were re-opened later.

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No. 3 D. Division

Date March 1[illegible] 19[illegible]

Subject [illegible] Shanghai [illegible]

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A [illegible] the "[illegible] (南周公司)," [illegible] located in the [illegible] (貽慶街) [illegible], and commenced operations [illegible]. It is [illegible] by one Lee [illegible] (李阿梅), [illegible], with a capital of [illegible].

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**SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE**

File No.

S. I., Special Branch, Station,

**REPORT**

Date March 12, 1940.

Subject: Gambling Dens in Wantao.

Made by: D.I. Fan Ien Fih Forwarded by: D. I. Crawford

P.A.
Please attach a summary of dens now existent & arrange for a supplement to be compiled & forwarded on Thursday, 14th inst.

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The following new gambling dens have been established in the Wantao Area and commenced business at 9 a.m., March 11, 1940.

(1) "Yuh Lee Company" (大利公司)
No. 31, Si Yo Lo, Fang Hang Road, Wantao.

(2) "Sing Sang Company" (新生公司)
No. 79 Dong Ka Loong, Old West Gate, Wantao.

(3) "Lee Yuan Club" (利源俱樂部)
No. 1, Lane 27, Dong Ka Loong, Wantao.

The last named is conducted by a loafer Zang Kying Koong (張金榮), while the 2nd named by the former owner of the now defunct "Shing Wah Company" namely, Ting Lien Dao (丁流桃) and the last named by one Ling Siao Pao (林小寶), a loafer, who previously occupied a room in the 5th floor of the Central Hotel, Canton Road. All the gambling dens are run on the same system as that followed in the Western District.

Gambling dens in Wantao have so far not obtained any form of licence but each conductor has secured verbal permission from the Japanese Gendarmerie or the Shanghai City Government Police Bureau by paying them about one hundred dollars per day in respect of each gambling den.

Despite this arrangement, however, irregular

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

Section I, Special Branch.

REPORT

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE S. B. REGISTRY No. S. B. D. Station, Date March 10, 1940.

File No.

Date March 10, 19 40.

Subject New Gambling Dens established in Nantao.

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The Yung Sung Company (永生), a gambling den situated at No.2, Tseng Ziang Li, Lane 141, Zau Chia Road, Nantao, commenced operations at 9 a.m. on March 7, 1940. The conductor is Wong Sz Foh (王四福), aged 51, a native of Shanghai, who is a follower of Wong Ching Yung (黄金荣), prominent resident in the French Concession, and ex-Chief of the Pootung Section of the Detective Corps of the now defunct Shanghai City Government Police Bureau.

Shortly afterwards, a squad of Chinese police under Saito (齋藤), Japanese Director of the Nantao Police Bureau, and four Japanese gendarmes, carried out a raid on the den and seized the gambling paraphernalia together with a sum of about $1,000. No arrests were made as a result of the raid, and the den is still doing business as usual.

Further in due course

Another gambling den bearing the name "Dah Chung Company" (大中) was also established on March 7, 1940, at 263 Foh Yeu Road, City (Refugee Zone) under the sponsorship of one Lee Hai Sung (李海生), a loafer in Nantao, with a capital of $3,000. The number of patrons of this den average 300 daily.

The Hua Sung Company (花森) and the Pao Shing Company (寶興), two gambling dens situated

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at 479 Foh Yeu Road, City and 89 Pao Zung Loong, Cen Zung Ka, Sing Pah Men, respectively, which suspended operations on March 2, 1940, resumed functioning on March 7, 1940.

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Section I. Special Branch. Station

**REPORT**

Date March 6th. 19 40.

Subject. Gambling Dens in Nantao.

Made by D. I. Pan Lien-pih. Forwarded by D. I. Crawford.

The "Yah Kee" ( 亞 記 ) Gambling Den, No.1, Lane 86, Ching Lee Ka, within the Refugee Zone, Nantao, and the "Yah Lee" ( 亞 利 ) Gambling Den, No.24, Cong Ka Loong, Old West Gate, Nantao, resumed operations on March 5. The "Hang Gen" ( 恒 丰 ) Gambling Den, House 24, Lane 870, Fang Pang Road, Nantao, has been operating ever since its establishment on February 19. The remaining four gambling dens in Nantao have remained closed since their suspension on March 2.

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# SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

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## REPORT

Date March 4, 1940.

Subject Gambling Dens in Pantao.

Made by D.I. Pan Lien-pih, Forwarded by D.I. Crawford.

A new gambling den to be known as the "Hwa Sung Company" (花森公司) was established at House 89, Cen Zung Ka off Sing Foh Heng, Pantao, on March 1, 1940. This den is conducted by a loafer Lee Foh Sung (李福生) who has put up the sum of $2,000.00 as the capital.

All the gambling dens in the Pantao Area suspended business on March 2, 1940. The cause of the suspension is said to have been due to strong opposition to the existence of the gaming houses by the French Authorities and Rev. Father Jacquinot and the rumour that the former contemplated closing the iron gates between French Concession and Pantao should the gambling dens continue to operate.

One of the dens, however, the Hang Cen Company, House 24, Lane 870, Fang Pang Road, resumed functioning on March 3, 1940 and enjoyed extraordinary good business in consequence of the other gambling resorts being closed. This place is conducted by one Lee Siau Pao (李筱寶), a satellite of Loo Ying (盧英), who is reported to have made a profit amounting to $20,000.00 through the establishment since its opening on February 19, 1940.

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# Nantao Gambling Dens Closed

## Newly-opened Establishments Enjoy Short Life

Leading Chinese newspapers report that all newly-established gambling houses in Nantao were closed on Saturday for unknown reasons. Since Saturday morning all gambling houses in the city including the Sen Sen Company have been closed; all advertisements inviting customers being torn down.

Among the five gambling houses newly established in Chiu Mow Ti (formerly known to many as the "opium street") and West Gate three or four have also closed business. Even the Ta Chuan Fu Gambling House located in the Kwan Ti Miao (Temple) has been closed.

The reports admit that it is difficult to know whether or not their closure is due to official restriction but the "Shun Pao" asserts that authorities of the French Concession have written a letter to Mayor Fu Siao-en of the Shanghai Special Municipality asking the latter to suspend the new gambling business. Mayor Fu has not yet made a reply, it is stated.

Confused reports have recently been circulated regarding the closure of gambling houses in the wester district. Although it has been admitted that the authorities concerned have decided to close these establishments, interested parties are hesitating to entertain the idea and it has even been suggested in Chinese reports that gambling house managers there may offer an increase of licence fees to prolong the existence of their establishments.

Previous reports were to the effect that following the reaching of an understanding between the Shanghai Municipal Council and Japanese authorities in regard to the policing of the western district, gambling house managers in the district were planning to move their business into Nantao. It is reliably learned, however, that practically all new gambling houses in Nantao have not yet secured their licences.

# Gambling Dens in Nantao Opposed

### Concession Authorities May Close Gates If Dens Establishments Opened

French Concession authorities may close the iron gates to Nantao if gambling dens should be permitted to operate there, it was reliably learned yesterday.

At the same time, Chinese press reports according to which M. M. Baudez, French Consul-General, and Father R. Jacquinot, S.J., had forwarded a letter to the Nantao authorities, informing the latter that gambling dens would not be tolerated, were denied.

Father Jacquinot told the "North-China Daily News" that he was obviously opposed to the establishment of gambling dens but that to his knowledge, no steps had been taken officially.

Meanwhile, unofficial quarters said last night that the removal to Nantao of "bad lands" gambling dens would be strenuously opposed and may result in the closnig of the iron gates separating the Concession from Nantao. Passes for pedestrians, which were abolished in January, these same quarters added, may also be introduced again in the event that French wishes in this connection are not respected.

On the other hand, it is known that certain establishments in Nantao permit gambling although they have no licences.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
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Date

Date February 26, 1940.

Subject Gambling Dens in Nantao.

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A new gambling den named the "Yah Lee Co." (協利公司) which has been established at House 24, Dong Ka Loong off Old West Gate commenced operating at 9 a.m., February 25, 1940. The capital of the den which amounts to $3,000.00 was put up by a Nantao loafer Zau Kyung Sung (趙金生) alias Mo Bi Kyung Sung (麻皮金生).

Another new gaming house which was established on February 25, at No. 1, Lane 86, Ching Lee Ka within the Refugee Zone, is known as "Yah Kee Co." (協記公司). The conductor of this place is one Lee Foo Kwei (李富貴) alias Siau Peking (小北京) and the capital amounting to $2,000.00 was subscribed by him.

With reference to the arrests made on February 22, 1940, the prisoners, about 240 in number, were sentenced to fines ranging from $5.00 to $100.00 each in the Nantao Police Bureau. They were all released in the afternoon of February 23, 1940 after the fines had been duly paid.

Vide Special Branch report dated 23/2/40.

Dan Lien-pih
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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE S. B. REGISTRY No. S. B. D. Date

Date February 23, 1940.

Subject Nantao Gambling Dens Raided.

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Acting on instructions received from the Japanese Advisors, a party of Police from the Nantao Police Bureau and the City Temple Police Bureau of the Shanghai City Government raided the following gambling dens under their jurisdiction between 3 p.m. and 4 p.m. February 22, 1940.

Hang Oen Company - 24 Hang Oen Faung, Fang Pang Road.

Shing Fah Company - 77 Oong Ka Loong.

Sun Sun Company - No.1/139 Oen Zung Ka.

Rao Shing Company - 479 Foh U Road.

A total number of about 240 gamblers including employees of the dens were arrested and charged.

According to the conductors of the gaming establishments, the Police Bureaux carried out the raids in order to obtain funds for the upkeep of their offices. Despite the raids the dens are now doing business as usual.

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A gambling den known as the "Sun Sun Company" (生生公司) has been established at House 1, Lane 139, Oen Zung Ka (安仁街), Nantao, and was opened for business on February 21, 1940. The system of the den tallies with that of those already in operation in the Nantao Area. The sponsorer is one Chiang Tung Ling (蔣東林), an ex-member of the former Shanghai City Government Police Bureau (Reserve Unit).

At 3.30 p.m. February 21, 1940, two well-dressed male Chinese accompanied by two bodyguards, one a Russian and the other a Chinese, were observed beside a private motor-car S.M.C. Lic. No. 1441, outside House 501 Boulevard des Deux Republiques near Rue Petit (Nantao side). This house is being re-decorated and is believed about to be converted into a theatre under the name of the "San Sing Theatre" (三鑫劇場).

It is ascertained that the owner of the m/car is one named Poo Yee Yuan (浦賢元) of the Poo Tsai Kee (浦宰記), S.M.C. Ordure Contractor, who resides at House 55, Lane 424, Avenue Foch.

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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

February 23, 1940.

To.

**The Secretary & Commissioner General.**

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- **S.B.D. 8039A/41(C).**

Subject :- **Establishment of New Gambling Dens in Nantao.**

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Another two new gaming houses have been established at No.479 Foh U ( 福佑 ) Road and 77 Oong Ka Loong ( 翁家弄 ) off Old West Gate, Nantao, their names being the "Pao Shing Company" ( 寶興公司 ) and "Shing Fah Company" ( 興發公司 ) respectively. These gaming houses commenced functioning on February 20, 1940 and are operating daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The number of gamblers frequesting these places are estimated to range from 200 to 400 daily.

The Pao Shing Company is sponsored by a loafer Chang Shing Pao ( 張興寶 ) who has subscribed $3,000.00 towards the capital while the Shing Fah Company is supported by another loafer named Ting Lieu Dao ( 丁流桃 ) alias Ting Siao Mo Tse ( 丁小麻子 ) who is a henchman of Hsu Foh Pao ( 許福寶 ).

Owing to the fact that these dens are conducted by petty loafers they have not succeeded in winning the support of residents in the city to any great extent. It is reported that the owners of the gaming houses mentioned hope to either sell the dens at a rich profit to the well known gambling den owners in the Western District or admit the latter to part ownership.

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Date February 20, 1940.

Subject. New Gambling Den established in Nantao.

Made by. D.I. Pan Lien-pih, Forwarded by. D.I. Crawford,

Commr. of Police Shanghai I. Commissioner R. Clarke A.C. (Sp. Br.)

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A gaming house bearing the name "Hang Oen Company" (恒安公司 ) has been established, under the sponsorship of one Li Siao Pao (李筱寶) with a capital of $5,000.00, at House 24 Lane 870 (Hang Oen Faung), Fang Pang Road, Nantao, which is approximately 100 yards east of the Nan Yang Jao, French Concession. The house was opened for business at 12 noon February 19, 1940 and will operate from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily. However, this is subject to change according to the volume of business done. No members of the Japanese Military Police or the Shanghai City Government Police Bureau have been observed on the premises carrying out guard duty. The "Miura" Detachment is stationed a stone's throw from the site of the den.

Li Siao Pao, the owner, is a native of Ningpo, aged 38 years and a satellite of Loo Ying, Commissioner of S.C.G.P.B. He was wanted on a Circular Order of Arrest by the former S.C.G.P.B. on a charge of Malfeasance in Office while he was employed by the Bureau as a detective sub-inspector and attached to the Old West Gate Police Bureau. Following the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities, he together with another notorious loafer Mau Ah Ziang (毛阿祥) operated a Hwo Wei Lottery in the Western District with Headquarters in the Kung Yih Faung Alleyway, off Robison Road, O.O.L.

Pan Lien-pih
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# SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

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REPORT

Date February 2, 1940.

Subject. Gambling Dens in Western District reported to be moving to Nantao.

Made by D.S.I. Liao Chung-chien. Forwarded by D. I. Crawford.

With reference to the attached translation of an extract from the "Ta Mei Pao" dated 30/1/40 on a proposal of the Amusement Supervision Department, 9/470 Yu Yuen Road, to remove the gambling dens in the Western District, O.O.L., to Nantao, which has now been reopened, discreet enquiries have failed to confirm the report.

However, it will be noted that the gambling dens in the Western District situated in Jessfield area (i.e. the area to the north of Yu Yuen Road), have been suffering from business depression because the number of visitors has fallen considerably as a result of the unsettled condition prevailing in that district since September 1939 when "Shanghai City Government" Police assisted by Wang Ching Wei organs made vigorous attempts to seize the right of policing the extra-Settlement roads area. These dens consequently cut to the minimum the salaries of the employees and the remuneration regularly offered to loafers in that area but the measures of retrenchment have only made matters worse as employees of the dens, all of whom come from the underworld fraternity, and the loafers in that district have resorted to armed robberies and other criminal activities in order to augment their incomes thus increasing the disinclenation of gamblers to visit these establishments.

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Many of the proprietors are contemplating closing down of their establishments but they hesitate to do so when they take into consideration the fact that this would result in the cancellation of their permits by the Amusement Supervision Department. The possession of the permits is highly prized by the proprietors because the Amusement Supervision Department is said to have decided not to issue any fresh permits in addition to the present number.

Some of the proprietors did discuss among themselves the removal of the establishments to Nantao which has now reopened but investigation showed that conditions in that area are far from bright and the suggestion is said to have been dropped for the time being.

Liao Chang Chien
D. S. I.

A. C. ( Special Branch ).

January 30,1940. Morning Translation.

Ta Mei Pao :-

ALL GAMBLING DENS IN WESTERN DISTRICT REPORTED TO BE MOVING INTO NANTAO

It is learned that with the complete reopening of Nantao, the Japanese Amusement Resorts Supervision Office in the Western District will issue an order notifying all the gambling establishments in the Western District to remove into Nantao. This order was the subject of a recent meeting of the conductors of the various gambling establishments.

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Two gambling dens have been recently established in Nantao by the Japanese ronins and Chinese "traitors", one is situated at Wong Ka Chueh Road, and the other at 115 Yien Hai Road. A narcotic and drug smuggling centre is also in existence at 155 Yien Hai Road, Nantao. It is reported that those people residing in the Settlement and French Concession who wish to visit those gambling dens first proceed to Jessfield Village, where they are conveyed to Nantao via Chungshan Road in hired motor cars, the arrangements being made by the managements of the gambling dens. Both places cater to opium addicts when they are gambling. It is believed that each gambling den and also the narcotic smuggling centre pay $30.00 a day to the Japanese Military Authorities. There is also a brothel for Japanese soldiers at Meng Hwa Ka, Nantao.

The Zah Hwei Jao, a bridge at Zah Hwei Kong which was destroyed during the hostilities, has been repaired by the Japanese military and renamed the "Sze Mao Jao" ( 十毛桥 ).

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